

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Victor Schoenle et al. Art Unit : 3764
Serial No. : 10/669,059 Examiner : Walter Aughenbaugh
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Mail Stop Amendment

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Responsive to the restriction requirement mailed April 19, Applicants elect species (i). Applicants believe this election encompasses claims 74, 76-84, 86-91 and 130-133. Applicants do not understand the meaning of the phrase “not including those claims that fall within the ranges that have been cancelled,” but Applicants wish to make it clear that Applicants do not by this response disclaim the scope of any protection provided by claims 74, 76-84, 86-91 and 130-133.

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Respectfully submitted,

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